

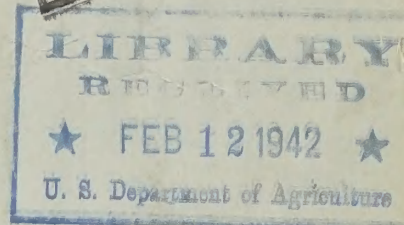
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51 Years



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H. G. and H. F. WIRT, Owners  
ON HIGHWAY U. S. 150



# Special Bargains for Thrifty Buyers

## 10 Fruit Trees \$2 00

3 to 4 Ft.

- 2 Jonathan Apples
- 1 Red Delicious
- 1 Yellow Transparent
- 1 Wealthy
- 1 Anoka
- 2 Cherry
- 1 Plum
- 1 Pear

## Evergreens 10 Trees \$2.00



Spruce

4 and 5 Years  
12 to 18 In.

These Evergreens have been transplanted, have good roots and well balanced tops. They cannot be compared with seedlings so often offered in collections. These trees are the same that we plant in our fields to grow into large trees.

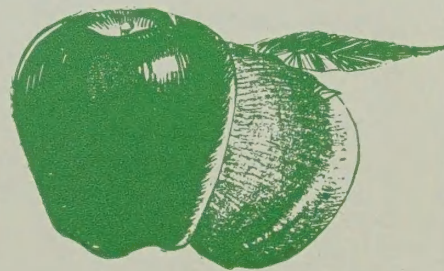
This Collection Contains  
FIRS SPRUCE  
PINE JUNIPERS

50 Choice GLADIOLUS BULBS \$1.00  
Assorted Colors

6 CHOICE DAHLIAS \$1.00  
Large Flowering—6 Colors

15 CHOICE CANNAS \$1.00  
Red—Yellow—Apricot

## 3 Kinds of Apples on one tree



3 Kinds on One Tree, \$1.50

2 Kinds on One Tree, \$1.00

Big 6 to 7 Ft. Trees, 4 Years Old

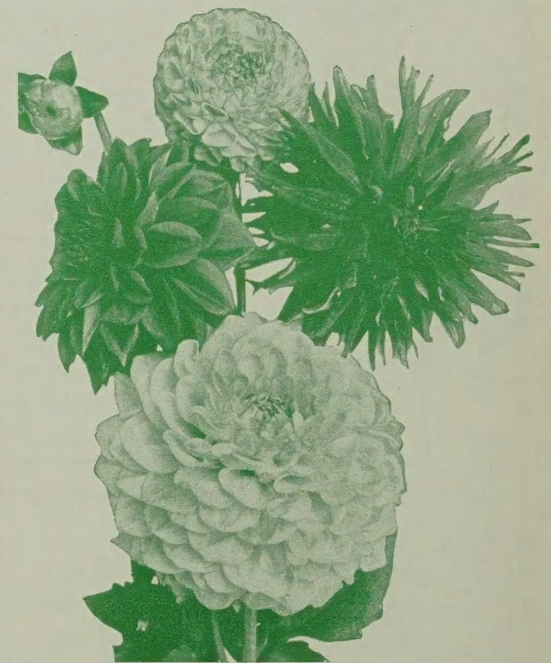
For those who are limited for room, and want something different. Imagine picking APPLES during summer, fall and winter all from one tree.

These trees are all grown and budded right here in our nursery. They have nice straight trunks, well balanced tops and are 6 to 7 feet tall. The varieties are the good old stand-by kinds: Jonathan, Red and Yellow Delicious, Transparent Strawberry, Anoka, Snow. Some trees have a crab worked on them.

These trees at the above prices are really a bargain, and the quality of trees is the very best.



Gladioli



Dahlias

# ALPHA NURSERY

# Alpha, Illinois



# SMALL FRUITS

## STRAWBERRIES — FOR HOME or MARKET

Our Strawberry plants are grown on rich black soil, which guarantees good, long, strong roots. Plant Strawberries in the spring for next season crop. Fall planting very uncertain.

### Extra Early Variety

**PREMIER**—An extra early variety, heavy bearer. Berries are long and slim, good early market or home berry. About 10 days ahead of Dunlap.

25 plants 35c; 50 plants 60c; 100 plants \$1.00;  
500 plants \$4.50; 1,000 plants \$7.00

### Late Variety

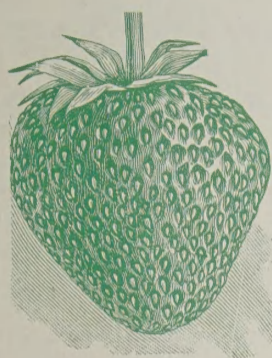
**AROMA**—One of the best late kinds; large fruit, bearing after other kinds are gone.

25 plants 40c; 50 plants 75c; 100 plants \$1.25

### Early Variety

**SENATOR DUNLAP**—This is the best known variety in the United States. It bears well in all localities, producing big crops and big berries; very hardy; rich dark red color. Good plant producer, making wide heavy rows.

25 plants 35c; 50 plants 60c; 100 plants \$1.00; 500 plants \$4.50; 1,000 plants \$6.00

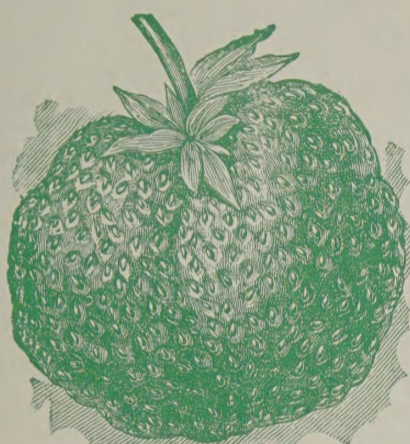


Dunlap

### Everbearing Strawberry

**MASTODON**—The elephant of strawberries, and bears lots of big berries from summer until frost. Plants set in April had ripe berries July 11th, and the first week in August 160 quarts every five days per acre, and in September 576 quarts per acre every five days. The late berries sure bring the price. This is the newest and best everbearer on the market today. Try a few of the plants. Supply limited. Order Early.

12 plants, 30c; 25 plants 50c;  
50 plants, 90c; 100 plants, \$1.50



Mastodon

### PLANT SMALL FRUITS NOW

Small fruits planted this spring will bear next spring. Save on the cost of your fruit, **GROW YOUR OWN**. Get them started now.

## BLACKBERRIES

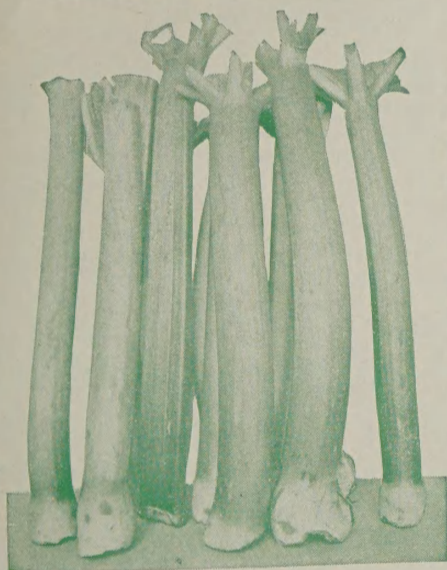
**ELDORADO**—Very productive and hardy; extra fine quality; sweet flavor, without core; fruit very large, jet black. We think this is the best of blackberries.

12 plants, 75c; 25 plants, \$1.40; 100 plants, \$4.50

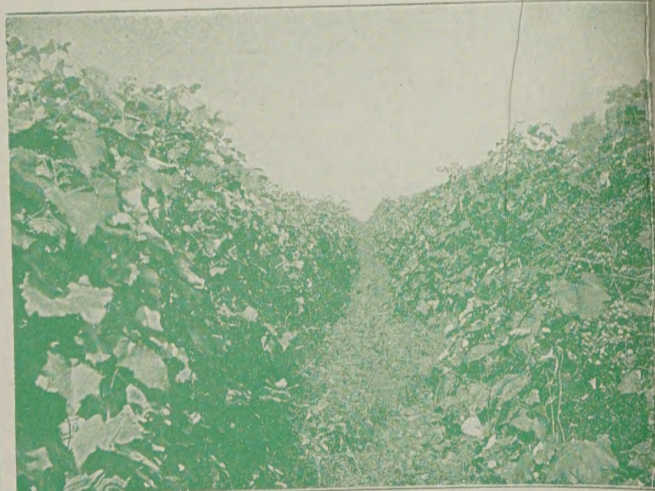
### NEW KINDS OF BERRY PLANTS

**BOYSENBERRY**—Large, sweet and juicy. A combination of raspberry, dewberry and Loganberry. Should be trellised. 12 plants \$1.25; 25 plants \$2.00.

**YOUNGBERRY**—Unusual flavor and lots of fruit. Fruit dark wine red. Should be trellised. 12 plants 60c; 25 plants \$1.00.



Ruby Red



Choice Grapes

## ASPARAGUS

1 year Roots—30c per 12—50c per 25—\$.90 per 50—\$1.60 per 100  
2 year Roots—35c per 12—60c per 25—\$1.00 per 50—\$1.90 per 100

**WASHINGTON**—A new rust resistant pedigreed asparagus. A fine fancy variety for home or market use. Tender, large and high quality.

## RHUBARB

2 Year Size

**NEW STRAWBERRY**—An improved old time variety of Pie Plant, stock of medium size, very bright red, juicy, and of fine quality. 3 for 25c; 12 for \$1.00.

**RUBY RED**—This is a new Red Rhubarb. It is grown from divisions, not from seed. It takes three years to develop a saleable plant. Here is something new and special in Rhubarb. 25c each; 3 for 70c.

## GOOSEBERRIES

2 Year Plants

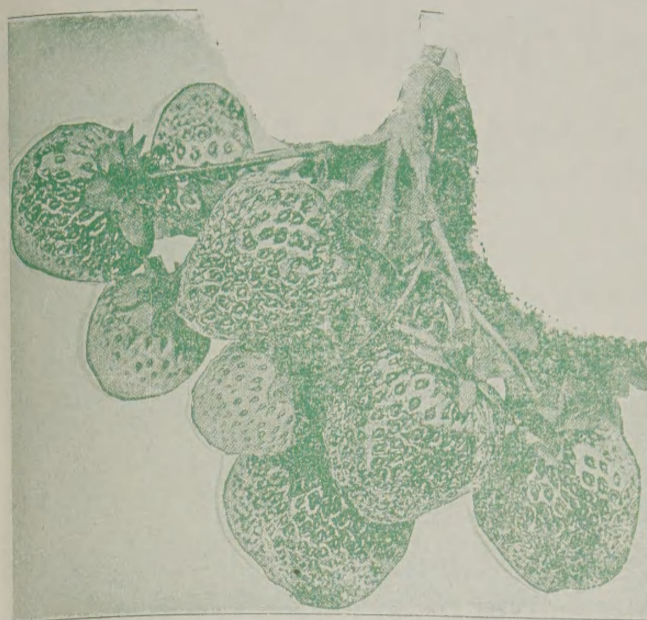
Each 25c; 5 plants \$1.15  
10 plants \$2.20

**JOSSELYN**—Large sized, smooth, prolific and hardy, of best quality. The freest from mildew, both in leaf and fruit. A wonderful cropper, with bright, clean, healthy foliage.

**CHAMPION**—Fruit medium size, round. Bush very hardy and very productive; free from mildew. We think this is the best for general planting.



Champion Gooseberry



Small Fruits Are Quick to Come in Bearing. Many Kinds Bear the Next Year.

Plant More Small Fruit for Quick Profit.

Our small fruit plants are grown at Alpha. They are fresh dug from good rich black soil.

## RASPBERRIES

Raspberries should be planted early—last of March and to May 1st.

### STATE VARIETIES WANTED

Variety	12 plants	25 plants	50 plants	100 plants	200 plants
Cumberland	59c	\$1.00	\$1.90	\$3.50	\$6.00
New Logan	59c	1.00	2.00	3.50	6.00
Latham (Red)	59c	1.00	1.90	3.50	6.00
Columbia (Purple)	80c	1.50	2.60	5.00	9.00
Sodus	1.00	1.75	3.00		
Marion	1.00	1.80	3.00		
Black Beauty	.90	1.60	3.00		
Indian Summer	1.10	2.00	3.50		

### Quality Plants—Fresh Dug

**CUMBERLAND**—One of the largest black raspberries known; its immense size, firmness and great productiveness entitles it to first consideration. Unusually strong grower, throwing up stout, stock canes; perfectly hardy. The most valuable, profitable raspberry grown for home or market use. Fruits for long season.

**NEW LOGAN**—An early Black-cap ripening a full week ahead of Cumberland. The fruit is of high quality and full size; free from crumbling. The color is deep, glossy, purplish black. The Logan is highly resistant to drouth, cold weather and disease. The canes are extra large and strong. Try a few of this new Raspberry.

**LATHAM**—This is one of the leading varieties of the Reds. The fruit is large and solid, does not mush or break apart. The plants are almost disease-proof. Try a few of this variety, you will like them. A coming new red variety.

**PURPLE COLUMBIA**—Deep purplish red, highly flavored, extra strong canes, wonderfully productive; berries very large. There is nothing finer grown in the line of fruit than this variety for table use, canning, etc. This variety does not sprout.

**SODUS**—Purple—A very attractive large berry; firm and good quality, heavy yielding, drouth resistant, does not sprout. 12 plants, \$1.00; 25 plants, \$1.75.

**MARION**—Purple—The largest of all purple berries; late ripening. Big, heavy canes which bear heavy crops. 12 plants, \$1.00; 25 plants, \$1.80.

**INDIAN SUMMER**—Red—One of the best everbearing Red Raspberries. The summer crop ripens in July and the fall crop starts in early September and continues until frost. 12 plants, \$1.10; 25 plants, \$2.00; 50 plants, \$3.50.

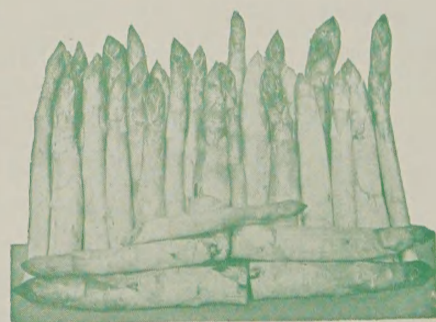
**BLACK BEAUTY**—Black—Heavy upright grower; very hardy, heavy bearer; very large, firm berry; excellent quality. 12 plants, 90c; 25 plants, \$1.60; 50 plants, \$3.00.



Cumberland



Fays Prolific Currants



Washington Asparagus

## CURRENTS

Strong 2 Year Plants

**PERFECTION**—A beautiful bright red Currant. Large in size and very productive. Clusters are compact and easy to pick. Recommended for northern sections. 30c each; 3 for 80c; 10 or more \$2.50

**FAYS PROLIFIC**—A hardy and popular red variety. Easy to pick and of excellent quality. Season early. 25 each; 3 for 70c; 10 or more \$2.20

## 2 year GRAPE VINES

**CONCORD**—Black, the most popular grape in America; bunches and berries large, healthy and productive. 15c each; 3 for 40c; 10 for \$1.30; 100 for \$10.00.

**MOORE'S EARLY**—Black, bunches medium size and very compact; berries large and of excellent quality; ripens ten days before Concord which makes it very desirable for market; very hardy, well suited for the North; one of the best. 25c each; 3 for 70c; 10 for \$2.00.

**NIAGARA**—A fine white grape. Produces large, compact, perfect bunches. Vine a strong, hardy grower. 25c each; 3 for 70c; 10 for \$2.00.

**BRIGHTON**—Bunches of good size, fruit when ripe is copper color with a sweet rich flavor; fine grape. 25c each; 3 for 70c; 10 for \$2.00.

# FRUIT TREES

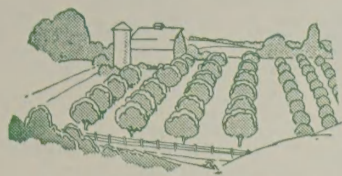
All Our Fruit Trees Are Grown In Our Nursery at Alpha, Ill.

They are all hand sorted to insure good straight trees, with well shaped tops and good roots.  
All the varieties are adapted to this climate, as they are grown in this climate.

2 year, 4 to 6 ft. trees, 60c  
3 for \$1.65; 10 trees \$5.00

## APPLE TREES

4 year trees, \$1.00 each  
5 to 7 feet.



### SUMMER VARIETIES

**EARLY HARVEST**—Medium, to large, roundish, bright straw color; flesh white, good quality. July.

**RED JUNE**—Medium, oblong, hardy, and productive; deep red color; flesh white, tender, rich and sub-acid. August.

**YELLOW TRANSPARENT**—Medium, yellow, good quality, productive, early bearer. July. (also 6 to 7 ft. 3 yr. trees \$1.00 ea.)

**BENONIA**—Tree upright, rapid grower. Color, dark red with yellow blush; flesh creamy color; flavor unlike any other apple. Fine eating or cooking. This is about the last of the summer apples

### AUTUMN VARIETIES

**DUCHESS OF OLDENBURG**—Large size, roundish, streaked with red and yellow; flesh white, juicy, acid. September.

**FAMUESE (Snow)**—Medium, deep crimson, flesh snowy white, tender. Tree slow crooked grower. October and November.

**WEALTHY**—Large, roundish, smooth, nearly covered with dark red; flesh white, fine, juicy, sub-acid; quality very good; good grower and productive. October.

**ANOKA**—A really good apple. Bears in two and three years. Fruit large and very much like Wealthy, ripening in late September to October. Very hardy and vigorous grower, very productive.

**FALL STRAWBERRY**—Red and Yellow striped, crisp, good flavor. September.

2 year--4 ft. **CRAB APPLES** 60c each

**RED SIBERIAN**—Grows in clusters and the tree is simply loaded when fruiting. Bears very young; fruits in September. Use these for jelly and pickles. This is the little red one.

## PEACH TREES



Peaches

### NEW PEACH VARIETIES

3½ to 5 ft., 60c each; 3 for \$1.50

**POLLY**—Very hardy; large; free stone; flesh white. September 5th.

**VALIANT**—Improved Elberta; highly colored; better quality; 2 weeks earlier

**PIONEER**—Large oval; white flesh; ripens in early August.

Following 2 yr., 3½-5 ft. trees, 50c; 5 for \$2.25; 10 for \$4.00

**ELBERTA**—The great American market peach; produces big, profitable crops. Fruit large, bright, attractive, yellow with crimson shading; flesh firm and of good quality. Will ripen perfectly when picked green. One of the best for home or market use. Free stone. September.

**CHAMPION**—Fruit large, delicious, sweet, juicy; skin creamy white, with red cheek; handsome, hardy and productive, and a good shipper; adhering slightly to the stone. White flesh. August 15th.

**SOUTH HAVEN**—One of the newer peaches grown much in Michigan. It stands our cold winters better than any of the other varieties. Flesh golden yellow; rich and sweet; firm, excellent shipper and keeper; freestone; ripens 2 to 3 weeks ahead of the Elberta. Tree is hardy, healthy and is a vigorous grower and heavy producer.

**HALE-HAVEN**—This is a cross of the J. H. Hale and the South Haven, which develops a very large Peach of the Hale type and with the hardiness of the South Haven. We do not believe that Hale-Haven is quite as hardy as the South Haven; the fruit, however, is much larger. Try a few trees of this new variety.

**GOLDEN JUBILEE**—A new early peach, large size, golden color, rich flavor, free-stone. A good shipping variety.

**ALEXANDER**—White meat. Bears in July.

**ROCHESTER**—Large; rich yellow flesh; fine quality; free. Ripens late August.

## CHERRY TREES

3 year trees—6 to 7 ft., \$1.00 each—3 or more trees 90c ea.  
2 year trees—4 to 6 ft., .70 each—3 or more trees 60c ea.

**EARLY RICHMOND**—This is the early popular cherry that is planted so much. Medium red, hardy, immensely productive, ripens the last of June.

**MONTMORENCY**—The large, late, dark red cherry. This cherry has become very popular on account of size. It is very meaty—ripens about 10 days later than the Richmond.

**DYEHOUSE**—Early large meaty cherry; tree rapid, upright grower. Ripens in late June.

### SWEET CHERRIES

4 to 6 ft., \$1.00 each

**BING**—Black—very large and meaty.

**SPANISH**—Yellow—large and good flavor.

Sweet Cherries need well drained soil, heavy in limestone.

## PLUM TREES

2 year trees—5 to 6 feet—60c each

**OMAHA**—Very large; red; good flavor.

**RED PRUNE**—Medium size; good bearer; red; good flavor.

**SAPA**—Deep purple skin with purplish flesh. Bears very young and heavy. Medium size.

**OPATA**—Purplish red skin, greenish flesh, heavy bearer, and bears young.

**UNDERWOOD**—Large size, skin greenish yellow with red, flesh golden yellow; juicy and sweet. Very hardy and productive bearer. One of the best.

**RED McINTOSH**—Medium to large; red with purple blush flesh. Very white, fine quality. September, October.

**GOLDEN SWEET**—Golden Yellow, medium size, sweet and juicy.

### WINTER VARIETIES

**ALL RED DELICIOUS**—Has the same size, flavor and shape as the common Delicious, but this variety is a deep bright red, which completely covers the apple. Flesh is very white, crisp and very juicy. Heavy bearer.

**YELLOW DELICIOUS**—Fruit golden yellow; flesh pure white; very crisp and juicy; very fine quality. Tree bears young with enormous crops. The old fruit growers claim this is the peak in apples.

**JONATHAN**—Medium, nearly covered with brilliant stripes of lively red; very showy, juicy, excellent; trees spreading and slender; bears early. November to February.

**GRIMES GOLDEN**—Medium golden yellow, with white dots, crisp, tender and juicy, excellent; tree vigorous, hardy and productive. November to January.

**NORTHWESTERN GREENING**—Large; Greenish Yellow flesh; fine grained; firm; extremely hardy and strong grower; heavy bearer. An extra fine cooking apple. Late keeper.

**ROMAN STEM**—Medium size, yellow, of good quality, very productive; tree a slow grower when young.

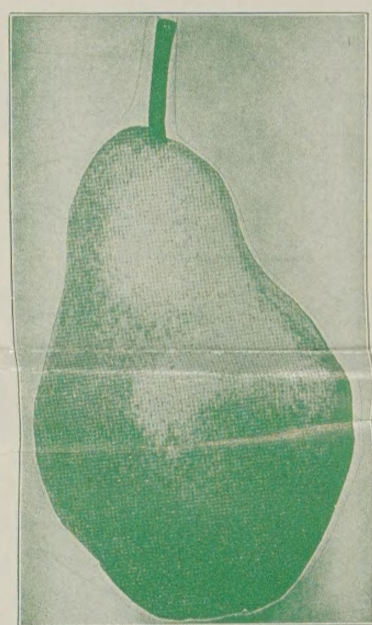
**STAYMAN'S WINESAP**—Fruit large, striped, nearly covered with red; flesh greenish yellow, very juicy and aromatic; very good; a strong, spreading grower; a good, early bearer; the best of our late winter apples. January to May.

**WINTER BANNANA**—Yellow with red cheek, high flavor. January.

**WHITNEY**—Fruit very large, yellow striped with red; flesh yellow, very juicy and fine grained, flavor rich and almost sweet. August.



Plums



Pears

## PEAR TREES

	Each	3 Trees	5 Trees
3 year trees—5 to 6 ft.	75c	\$2.00	\$3.25

**LINCOLN**—Medium size, clear yellow flushed with red. Very hardy and very productive. Either canned or eaten fresh its flavor is delicious. Tree bears very young, and is a sure bearer from year to year.

**BARTLETT**—Large size, rich, yellow color, with a blush; very juicy and highly flavored; good to eat from the tree. This is the variety that is sold at fruit stands.

**KEIFFER**—The best late pear—does not ripen on the tree. Pick them before frost and lay them away. Heavy and sure bearer; good for canning. 7 to 8 ft, \$1.00.

**DUCHESS**—The largest of the eating pears, flesh white, very juicy, and excellent flavor. October. 7 to 8 ft., \$1.00.

**SECKLE**—The small, sweet pear. Surely fine to eat from the tree. The tree is a low grower, but very hardy. September.

**DOUGLAS**—Here is a BLIGHT-FREE PEAR—in which is combined the best qualities and habits of all leading varieties—with the drawbacks of none. It bears even more profusely than the Keiffer. It begins to bear at an earlier age than any other pear on earth. It ranks with the best in shape, size and coloring.

**CLAPPS FAVORITE**—Yellow flushed with red; good eating pear. Ripen on the tree.

## HARDY APRICOTS

4 to 6 ft., 75c each

**MANDARIN**—Large; rich yellow; fine quality.

**SANSIN**—Large; heavy crop; excellent quality.

**SINO**—Small; heavy crop; on 8 ft. crowded tree.

**COLBERT'S LATE**—Large; egg shaped; fine flavor.

**SUPERB**—Small; round; very heavy bearing; good.

**PEACH COT**—Very large; rich yellow; fine quality; fast grower.

These Apricots are hardy northern varieties from Dakota and Idaho.  
The trees are all grown here in our Nursery.

ALPHA NURSERY

ALPHA, ILLINOIS

Personally Select Your Trees, Evergreens and Plants

ON HIGHWAY U. S. 150

OPEN SUNDAYS

# SHADE TREES

## Air Condition Your Home!

The Spreading Growth of SHADE TREES will Create Much Comfort for Your Home. Your property will increase in value by the pleasant surroundings.



### CHINESE ELM

This new Elm is one of the most popular shade trees we have. Fast growing, free from disease; stands dry weather. Can be trimmed to any shape.

Chinese Elm	
12 to 14 ft. trees, 1 1/4-1 1/2 in.	\$4.00
10 to 12 ft. trees	3.00
8 to 10 ft. trees	2.00
7 to 8 ft. trees	1.00
5 to 6 ft. whips	.30
2-3 ft.	10 for 50c; 50 for \$2.00

### MAPLES

#### Hard Maple

Slow growing but a tough, long lasting tree. 8-10 ft. trees \$3.00 each; 6 to 7 ft. trees \$2.00 each.



Hard Maple

#### Norway Maple

Very much like Hard Maple but a little faster growing.

10-12 ft. trees \$3.00 each

#### Schwedlers Maple

The red leaf Maple.

10 to 12 ft. trees \$4.00  
6 to 8 ft. trees \$3.00

**FLOWERING CRAB (Bechtel's)**—The only genuine double flowered crab. Makes a medium sized tree; perfectly hardy, succeeds well in most soils. When in bloom appears to be covered with delicate pink, perfectly double small roses of delicious fragrance. 3 to 4 ft., \$1.50.

**PURPLE LEAFED PLUMS**—The Purple Plums are becoming very much in demand, as they are very showy with their purple foliage throughout the summer. The trees are small, compact in growth, and are suitable for the lawn or shrubbery border. A few of these trees placed about your home will add greatly to your planting. 4 to 6 ft. Trees, 75c each.

**JUDAS TREE (Red Bud)**—A small growing tree of irregular form, with heart-shaped leaves. It is covered with bright pink blossoms early in spring before the leaves appear; and is largely used in groups of shrubs and small trees to give color for this early season. 5 to 7 ft. Trees, \$1.00 each. 3-4 ft. Trees, 50c each.

**ELM AM. WHITE**—This is a splendid tree for street or lawn. It is fast growing and will give a lot of shade. 6 to 8 ft. Trees, \$1.00.

**MOLINE ELM**—This is a tall slim growing Elm, very much like our slim poplars only the Elm is much longer lived. Has very large dark green leaves. Grows 40 to 50 feet tall. 6 to 8 ft. Trees, \$1.50 each; 8 to 10 ft. Trees, \$3.00 each.



Wisconsin Willow

**WHITE BIRCH**—Medium growing tree, spreading, with white bark; very picturesque. 8 to 10 ft., \$3.00 each.

### WILLOWS

**WEeping WISCONSIN WILLOW**—A graceful weeping tree; long narrow leaves, green bark. 3-4 ft. trees, 35c; 6-8 ft. trees, 75c each.

**PUSSY WILLOW**—A shrub-like tree; has furry catkins in early spring; fast growing. 3-4 ft. bush trees, 40c; 5-6 ft. bush trees, 75c each.

Come to the Nursery and select your own Shade Trees. You save money in this way; also you see just what you are buying.

## VINES and CLEMATIS

Strong 2 year Plants  
40c each; 3 for \$1.00

**WISTERIA (Purple)**—One of the finest climbers, of rapid growth, and perfectly hardy, with long, pendulous clusters of bluish purple. Flowers in June. Grafted plants sure to bloom. 50c each.

**ENGLEMAN'S IVY**—It is one of the finest ivies we have. The brilliant coloring of the leaves in autumn, together with perfect hardiness, makes it a valuable climber for covering brick or stone walls. Where hardiness is necessary, the Engleman will be found much superior to Boston ivy.

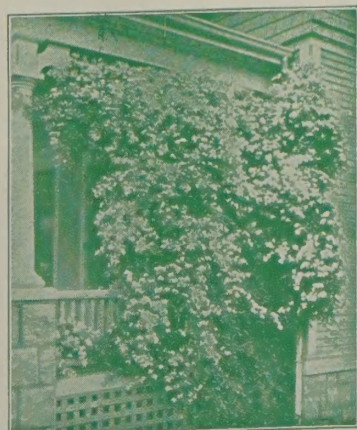
**AMERICAN IVY**—The well known native vine with five parted leaves, that change to rich crimson in autumn; berries blue black; very rapid grower and perfectly hardy.

**BOSTON IVY**—This is one of the finest hardy climbers we have for covering walls, as it clings firmly to the smoothest surface, covering closely with overlapping foliage, giving appearance of shingles. The color is a fresh deep green in summer, changing to the brightest shades of crimson and yellow in autumn.

**HONEYSUCKLE (Scarlet Trumpet)**—One of the handsomest in cultivation; coral flowers; very vigorous and hardy; blooming all summer.

**BITTERSWEET**—A native vine that is especially ornamental in fall and winter, with brilliant orange and scarlet fruit.

**SILVER LACE VINE**—A strong vigorous vine attaining a height of over 25 feet, it has all summer and fall a great mass of foamy sprays of white flowers which turn rose colored as they begin to fade, and the combination of the white and rose make a very pretty picture. 2 year plants, 50c each.



Paniculata

**GOLDEN FLAME (Honeysuckle)**—New ever-blooming Honeysuckle vine, blooms from early summer until frost. Red flame outside, yellow inside. 2 year plants, 50c each.

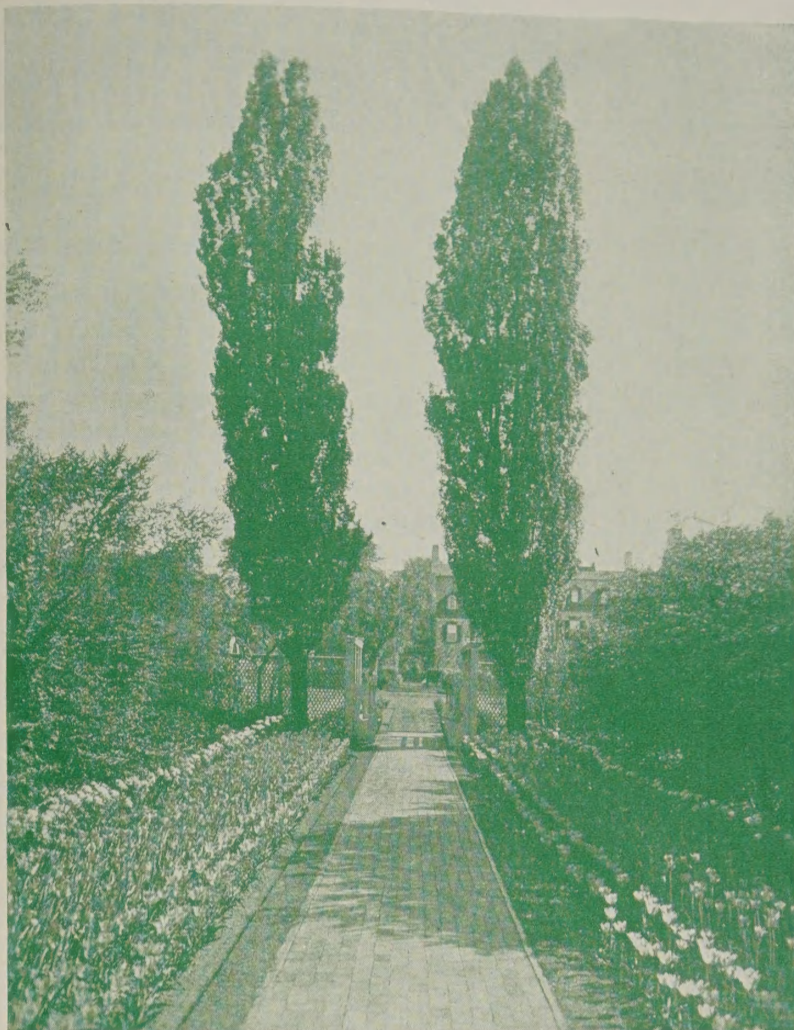
### Clematis

I list here below two popular varieties of the large flowering Clematis and one of the small white flowering. Clematis need a little extra attention to get them started. Once started they grow for years.

**JACKMANNI**—The well-known purple flowering Clematis. Flowers 4 to 6 inches across. 2 year Field Grown Plants, 75c each.

**MME. EDW. ANDRE**—A robust plant blooming freely. Violet red flower 3 to 4 inches across. 2 year Field Grown Plants, 75c each.

**PANICULATA**—The small flowering sweet scented white clematis. One of the most vigorous and beautiful climbers. 3 year Field Grown Plants, 50c each.



Lombardy Poplar

### LOMBARDY POPLAR

(P. Fastigiata)—Attains a height of from fifty to one hundred feet; well known for its erect, rapid growth and tall spiry form; indispensable tree for landscape gardening, to break the monotony of most other trees. 4-5 ft. Whips, 25c each; 6-8 ft. Trees, 50c ea.; 8-10 ft. Trees, 75c ea.

**PIN OAK**—One of the most popular of all the Oaks; fast growing, easily transplanted, red foliage in fall.

3-4 ft. trees, 50c each; 5 to 6 ft. trees, \$1.50.

**BLACK WALNUT**—A tall spreading tree, very valuable for lumber.

3-4 ft. trees, 50c each; 5 to 6 ft. trees, \$1.50.

**GREEN ASH**—Medium size tree of thick pyramidal habit; splendid shade tree.

3-4 ft., 50c each.

**SILVER MAPLE**—A fast growing tree; leaves silver under side.

5-6 ft. trees, 75c; 8 to 10 ft., \$1.50; 10 to 12 ft., \$2.50.

**SYCAMORE**—Large, handsome leaves; smooth, light colored bark; good, strong growing tree.

6 to 8 ft. trees, 90c

**POPULAR BOLLEANA**—A rapid growing columnar tree; silver foliage; green bark.

8 to 10 ft. trees, \$1.50

**LINDEN**—A dense-headed tree. Will stand heat and drought. Leaves silver beneath.

5 to 6 ft. trees, \$1.60

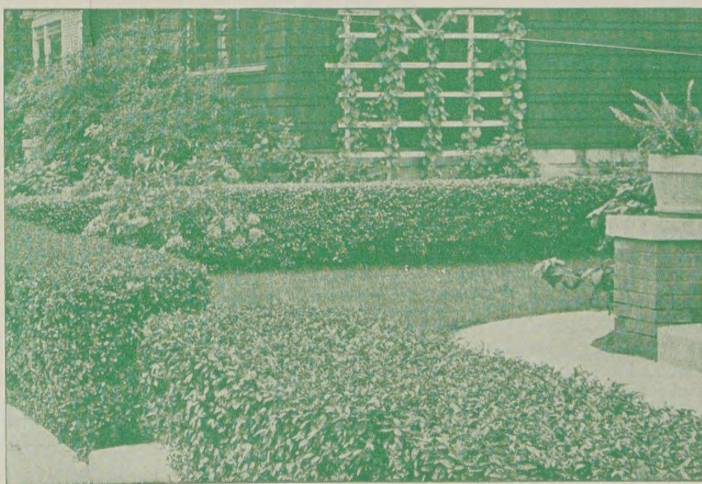
**HACKBERRY**—A valuable shade tree. Rapid growth; limbs seldom broken by wind.

6 to 8 ft. trees, \$1.50

**PECAN**—Native nut bearing tree.

4 to 5 ft. trees, \$1.30

## PLANT A HEDGE...



### Amoor River

#### Privet

Makes a Fine, Hardy Hedge

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#### Special

12 to 18 in. Plants  
\$1.00 per 12  
\$7.00 per 100  
2 to 3 ft. Plants  
\$1.30 per 12  
\$10.00 per 100

### AMOOR RIVER PRIVET

This is the hardy type of privet so much used for hedges. Has glossy green foliage which hangs on very late in the fall. This variety of Privet can be trimmed at any time into any shape. Plant Amoor Privet no matter where you live, it will increase the value of your place.

### BRIDAL WREATH (Spirea Van Houttei)

Grandest of Spireas, one of the best of shrubs; complete fountain of pure white bloom in May and June. The foliage and bush shape is ornamental the year round. Fine for tall hedge or screen. Also much used for foundation planting.

Special—12-18 in. Plants, \$1.00 per 12

2-3 ft., 15c each; 12 for \$1.70; 3-4 ft., 25c each; 12 for \$2.50

### JAPANESE BARBERRY

The finest of all the Barberries, grown in compact form, spiny stems, foliage fine and dense, changing to brilliant red in fall, the clusters of red berries hanging on all winter. Much used for hedge and borders. Considered by many to be the most valuable foreign shrub grown. This Barberry is recommended by the Government. It does not have the wheat rust.

Special—12-18 in. Plants, \$1.00 per 12; \$7.00 per 100  
3 yr., 18-24 in., 20c each; \$1.80 per 10

### CHINESE ELM

The Chinese Elm is a very good fast growing tall hedge or screen plant. Very fast growing. Will stand hot weather. 5-6 ft. whips, 30c each. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 50c for 10 plants; \$2.00 for 50; \$3.00 per 100.

### PERSIAN LILAC

This is a fast, early blooming lilac, which is very good for hedges and screens. Can be trimmed any time and any height. 12-18 in. plants 30c each; 3 to 4 ft., 75c.

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# EVERBLOOMING ROSES

10  
for  
\$4.50



Ami Quinard

48c each—2 yr. Top Grade

3 for \$1.40; 6 for \$2.75; 10 for \$4.50

Our Roses are all 2 years old, strong field Northern grown, and are equal to any roses on the market, and are not to be compared with cheap Southern grown stock. The following varieties are selected as best adapted for the climate, and the selection was made thru experience and trial.

Always ask for our free Rose Instruction Sheet

**AMI QUINARD**—Velvet crimson maroon (almost black). Large very double—vigorous grower.

**GRUSS AN TEPLITZ** (Crimson)—An extremely useful and dependable variety, succeeding well all over the United States. A profusion of beautiful, clear, crimson scarlet fragrant flowers, borne from June until frost. A vigorous and shapely plant.

**PINK RADIANCE** (Silvery Pink)—Vigorous upright bushy plants bear a continuous supply of very large, light silvery pink to salmon pink flowers on long, strong stems.

**RED RADIANCE** (Deep Red)—Vigorous, upright bushy plant, bearing a continuous supply of very large, beautiful deep red globular flowers.

**E. G. HILL** (E. G. Hill Co., 1929)—A new red rose of striking form and color. Long, perfectly formed buds opening to high centered, full double flowers of dazzling scarlet shading to deeper red as they develop. Free flowering, vigorous.

**TALISMAN** (Yellow copper red)—One of the new roses. A wonderful combination of shadings of gold apricot yellow, deep pink or old rose. The bud is long, perfectly formed. The plant is strong, vigorous grower and heavy bloomer.

**PRES. HOOVER** (Creamy Yellow with Pink and Flame tints)—Long pointed buds. Very heavy bloomer. This was one of our best growers the past summer.

**MRS. E. P. THOM**—A bright lemon yellow. Long pointed buds, good bloomer, very fragrant. One of the newest roses.

**K. VICTORIA**—Pure white, slightly blushed at center. A fine bedding type.

**MRS. SAM MCGREDY**—Large, brilliant scarlet shaded rose pink.

**GISSY LASS**—Well shaped, double blooms of dark scarlet crimson.

**BETTY UPRICHARD**—Salmon pink, stained with copper red.

**JOANNA HILL**—Large yellow with bronze shading in center—very fragrant; vigorous grower.

**BRIARCLIFF**—Handsome flowers of silvery rose pink.

**CATALONIA**—Spanish rose, rich color of brilliant orange and vermillion—very double; good grower.

**EDITH NELLIE PERKINS**—Pointed buds, rich orange outside and salmon pink inside.

**AMERICAN BEAUTY**—Deep pink shaded soft carmine.

**F. K. DRUSKHI**—Very large, snow white, free bloomer.

**PAUL NEYRON**—Thornless, gigantic pink fragrant flowers.

## FLORIBUNDA ROSES

The Floribunda group of Roses represents a new class of Roses, especially bred for hardiness, ease of culture and mass color effects. They are disease resistant, bloom continuously in large clusters. These roses only grow to a medium height, about two to three feet when matured. They are a very hardy, heavy blooming cluster type group.

2 year No. 1 plants 50c each; 3 or more plants 45c each

**GOLDEN SALMON SUPERIOR**—Golden Salmon blooms, very heavy clusters of small double blooms. Very showy, colorful variety.

**MRS. R. M. FINCH**—Beautiful Shell Pink. Large double blooms in clusters; very hardy.

**EDITH CAVELL**—Dark red roses in clusters; hardy and very heavy bloomers.

**KAREN POULSEN**—Single, brilliant scarlet; one of the most showy bedding rose. Extra heavy bloomer.



Dr. Van Fleet



Climbing American Beauty

## 2 year CLIMBING ROSES 45c ea.

3 plants \$1.25; 5 for \$2.00

**PAUL'S SCARLET** (Orange Scarlet)—The popular new shade. A vigorous climber, on single stems. Our best climber.

**DR. VAN FLEET** (Shell Pink)—Large double blooms, on long stems; fine for cutting. good grower.

**EXCELSA** (Blood Red)—The popular cluster roses, and very vigorous growers; wonderful bloomer.

**CLIMBING AMERICAN BEAUTY**—Flowers rich red to crimson, very large; excellent for cutting.

## GROOTENDORST

The freest blooming variety in the Eskimo Beauty family. It is a strong grower reaching a height of 4 to 5 feet. Blooms in clusters all season long. The individual flower resembles a small red carnation. An excellent plant for shrubbery planting and for rose hedges.

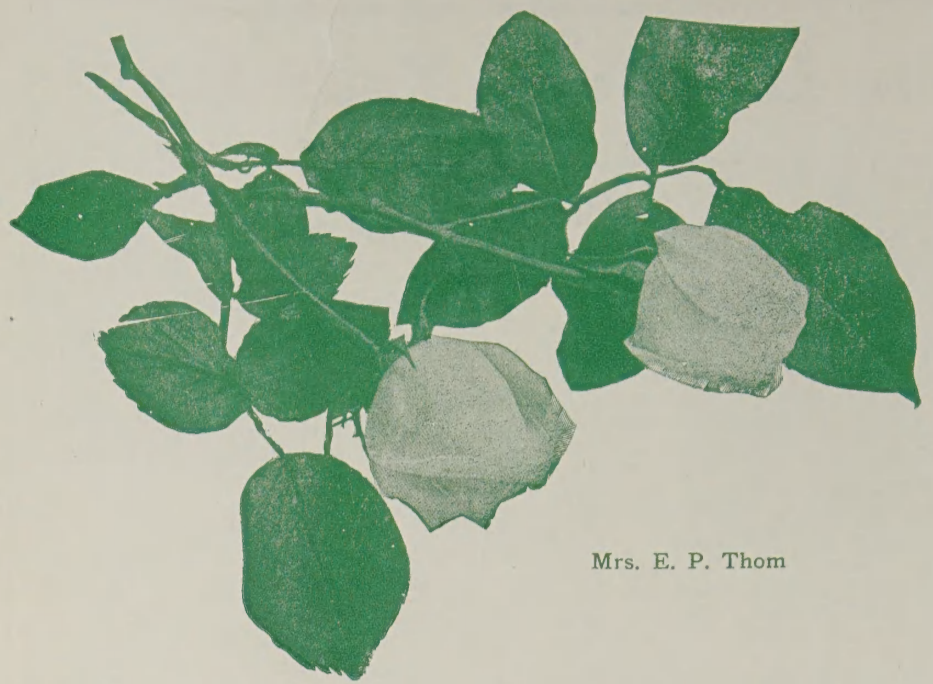
2 year Plants, 50c each; 5 or more, 40 each

## CHOICE DAHLIAS

CALIFORNIA IDOL—Clear bright yellow, immense size.....	50c each
FOREST FIRE—Brilliant scarlet flame with yellow.....	50c each
DWIGHT MORROW—Large, gigantic red; admired by everyone.....	50c each
MARRY ELLEN—A clean cut flower of burnish pink.....	50c each
MAMMOTH CHAMPION—Brilliant orange flame color.....	25c each
ORIENTAL GLORY—Orange overlaid with scarlet.....	25c each
JEAN KERR—An ideal pure white dahlia.....	25c each
JERSEY'S BEAUTY—A beautiful large pink.....	25c each
SATAN—One of the largest. Bright red with yellow.....	35c each
LITTLE DAVID—Pompon dahlia. Tangerine orange.....	25c each
BOBBY—Pompon. Delicate plum shade.....	25c each
JOE FETTE—Pompon. One of the best pure white.....	25c each

The last three Dahlias listed Pompons are small flowers about 1 to 1½ in. across. All the other varieties are the large decorative type flowers, 5 to 10 in. across.

Most home owners will have a little more time to work around their home this year, as the family auto will have to save its shoes, so why not fix up the yard and garden. A few Flowers, Evergreens, Trees and Fruits will add to your home and you will find it a joy in getting things to grow. You also will get a profit from your work.



Mrs. E. P. Thom

## HOW TO GROW ROSES

Roses need plenty of sun and good rich soil. We have found that they do better if planted in beds. The rose bed should be top dressed with 2 to 3 inches of cattle or sheep manure, and add a cup full of bone meal to each plant then spade under the whole works to a depth of 10 to 12 inches, then set the roses. Plant 12 to 18 inches apart and 3 to 5 inches deeper than they grew in the nursery.

Roses need to be sprayed often and regularly every 10 days with BLACK LEAF 40. Use 1 oz. to 5 gallons water and add ½ pound BORDEAUX MIXTURE. This spray will control bugs and leaf spot.

Keep the rose bed well cultivated. Also keep all the old bloom picked off.

Late in the fall after the leaves are off the EVERBLOOMING ROSES (only) should be cut back to within 6 to 8 inches of the ground and covered with soil. Mound the soil up as high as possible. In the early spring remove the mound of soil and give the bed a good top dressing of manure.

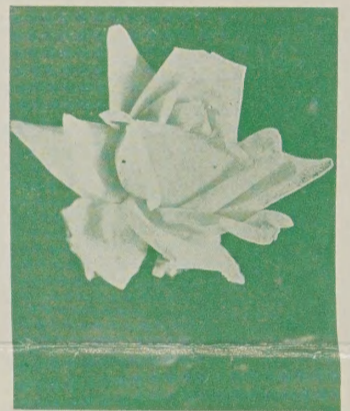
## PLANT ROSES EARLY



Roses planted during the month of April do much better, and should bloom within 60 days from time of planting.



Gruss an Teplitz



Joanna Hill

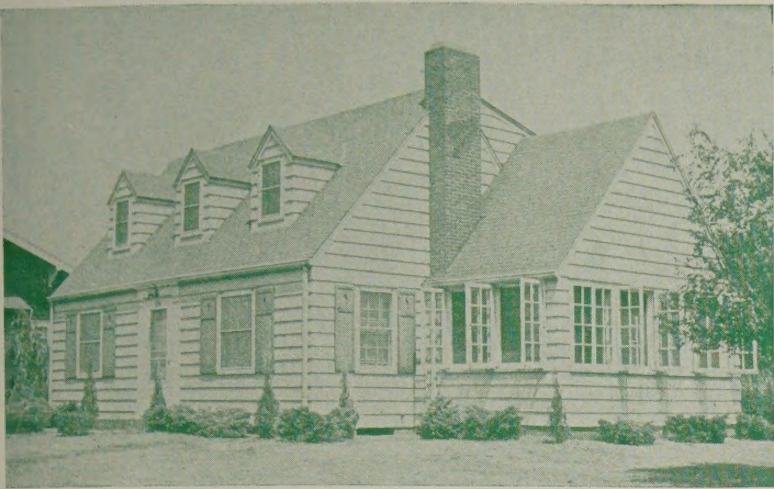


Catalonia



# PLANT EVERGREENS

A few of the homes we have planted



Galesburg, Illinois



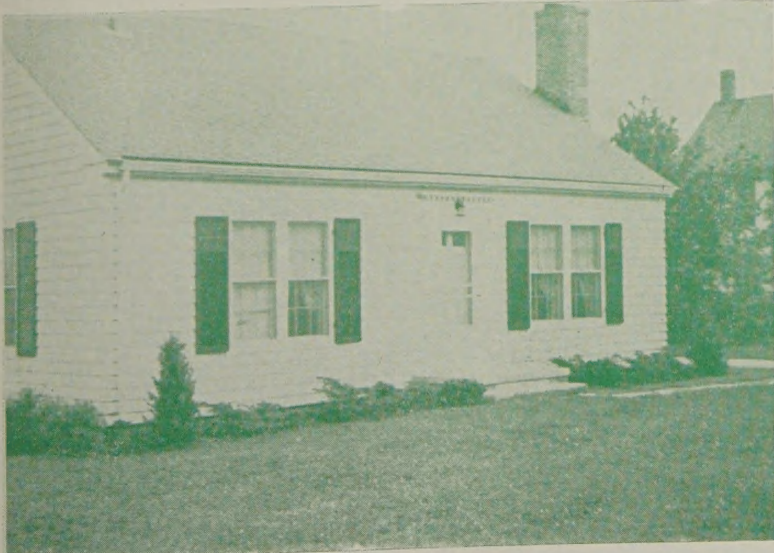
Rock Island, Illinois



Farm Home, Orion, Illinois



Rock Island, Illinois



Orion, Illinois



Galesburg, Illinois



Orion, Illinois

## For All Year Beauty

EVERGREENS ARE NOT HARD TO GROW. All they need is a little reasonable care—and most of this care is water and a little cultivation. Water is very important, as 70 per cent of evergreens that die is from lack of WATER. One good watering, once a week, is much better than watering every day, and when you water put 10 to 15 gallons of water to each tree—but don't wet the tops.

ALL OUR EVERGREENS ARE GROWN AT THE NURSERY IN ALPHA. They are all fresh dug from our fields. This is very important, as evergreens dry out fast, and if they are out of the ground very long, they will be a sure loss.

IT WILL PAY YOU TO BUY EVERGREENS FROM THE GROWER.

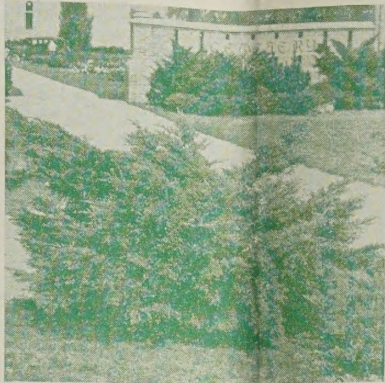
**JUNIPER ANDORA**—This juniper has proven a most satisfactory low growing tree. Its spread will reach 4 to 5 feet across and 18 to 20 inches high. It is a good thrifty grower. In the fall it turns a silver and finally, going into the winter, a bronzy red, but during the summer it is a vivid green.  
18 to 24 in. Trees, \$2.00; 24 to 30 in. Trees, \$3.00; 4 to 4½ ft. Trees, \$5.00

**PROCUMBUS JUNIPER**—This is a low spreading juniper growing about 12 to 14 inches tall, with a bluish green color. A good, thrifty grower.  
18 to 24 in. Trees, \$3.00 each

**JUNIPER CUMMUS**—This is a vivid green spreading type growing about 14 to 16 in. tall with a spread of 4 to 5 feet. A good green winter color.  
18 to 24 in. Trees, \$3.00 each

**SAVIN JUNIPER**—A dwarf form with dark green foliage and spreading ascending branches, forming an irregular vase-shaped tree. Grows only 3 to 3½ feet tall.  
18 to 24 in. Trees, \$2.25 each

**PINE MUGHO**—This is a dwarf pine, will grow into a thick round flat ball with a little trimming. Has long needles, and in the spring the new growth is like many small candles on top of the tree.  
14 to 16 in. Trees, \$1.50 each; 18 to 24 in. Trees, \$3.00



Pfitzer Juniper

**COLORADO JUNIPER**—This is a very refined upright growing evergreen, with fine bluish green foliage. Stands lots of dry hot weather.  
2 to 3 ft. Trees, \$2.00 each  
3 to 3½ ft. Trees, \$3.50 each

**JUNIPER IRISH**—This is the slim pyramidal evergreen, growing about 5 feet tall and about 15 inches in diameter; a bluish green color.  
2 to 3 ft. Trees, \$3.00 each

**JUNIPER SPINY GREEK**—Grows in a rather broad base, tapering to a pointed terminal top; gray-green foliage. Grows to a height of 5 to 6 feet.  
10 to 14 in., \$1.50

**KETTELER'S JUNIPER**—A fine upright open growing evergreen, with dark green, heavy foliage. It is well adapted for our climate—does not burn out.  
4 to 5 ft. Trees, \$7.00 each

**SCHOTT JUNIPER**—A compact, symmetrical tree that stands trimming well. Keeps a bright green color all year—a good strong grower.  
2 to 3 ft. Trees, \$2.00 each

**CHINESE JUNIPER**—A fine upright evergreen with blue green foliage—a very hardy fast-growing tree, which stands our hot summers—out of the Pfitzer family.  
2 to 3 ft. Trees, \$2.00 each

**ARBOR VITAE PYRAMIDAL**—This is a slim pyramidal tree, growing 8 to 10 feet tall. Flat, light green color. 2 to 3 ft. Trees, \$2.00 each.

**JAPANESE YEW**—An upright spreading evergreen. Horizontal, somewhat ascending branches—very hardy and does well in shady places. Good for foundation plantings. The foliage is always a clean, dark, lustrous green.  
18 to 24 inch Trees, \$3.50 each

**HEMLOCK**—A very graceful evergreen. Grows upright, but the branches are long with weeping effect. Very dark green. Does well in a damp, shady place.  
2 to 3 ft. Trees, \$3.50 each

### SPRUCE

**BLACK HILLS SPRUCE**—One of the best and most popular of Spruce. A compact symmetrical upright grower. Slow growing, very hardy, withstanding heat, drouth and cold.  
12 to 16 in. Trees, \$1.50 18 to 24 in. Trees, \$2.50.

**WHITE SPRUCE**—A compact pyramidal tree that develops into a shapely specimen. A fairly fast grower. The foliage is light silver green.  
18 to 24 in. Trees, \$2.00 each 12 to 18 in. Trees, \$1.50 each

**NORWAY SPRUCE**—The best known of all the spruce. A well formed pyramidal tree with graceful drooping branches and very dark green foliage.  
18 to 24 in. Trees, \$2.00 each 12 to 18 in. Trees, \$1.50 each

### BLUE SPRUCE

We have a very few Blue Spruce, but we do not like to offer these trees unless the customer can see them. Therefore, if you are interested in Blue Spruce, it is best to come to the Nursery and look them over.

### NEW PLANTING AND CARE INSTRUCTION SHEET

We have prepared a new EVERGREEN CARE AND PLANTING GUIDE. It contains new methods in Evergreen Care that we have worked out during our 50 years of experience in growing Evergreens. It is Free—just ask for it.



Mugho Pine



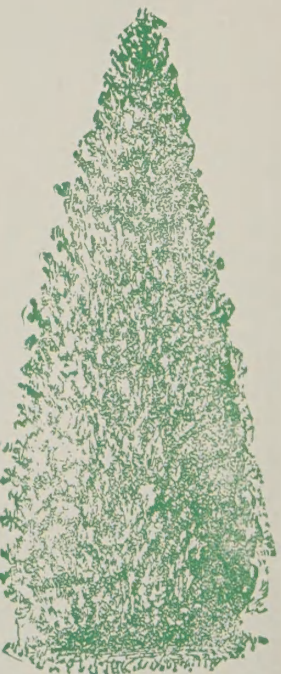
Savin Juniper



Virginia Juniper



Irish Juniper



Chinese Juniper

# HARDY SHRUBS

Shrubs make a quick and inexpensive planting, and with proper selection will bloom all summer. Our shrubs are grown in our Nursery at Alpha and are fresh dug from rich, black soil



Pink Spirea

## Eight Hardy Low-Growing SHRUBS

40c ea. 3 for \$1.00 5 for \$1.50

These shrubs are all low growing. They grow from 3 to 4 feet tall. They are excellent varieties for foundation planting or where low shrubs are needed. The plants are all strong 2 year.

- SPIREA FROBELLII**—Pink Spirea. Grows 3 to 3½ feet, large flat pink bloom in May and June, also blooming a little later in summer.
- SPIREA ANTHONY WATERER**—Pink Spirea. Grows 2½ to 3 feet, flowers dark pink, bloom all summer.
- SPIREA THUMBERGI**—This Spirea blooms in April, with small white flowers which just cover the shrub. Grows 3 to 4 feet tall.
- JAPAN QUINCE**—This is the popular flowering Quince, the crimson blooms come out before the leaves appear. Foliage very dark glossy green. Grows 3 to 4 feet.
- DWARF NINEBARK**—This shrub is a very dense grower, white flowers in May and June followed by red pods. This shrub is especially good for foundation or hedges. Grows 3 to 4 feet.
- DEUTZIA (Pride of Rochester)**—Has large trusses of white flowers in June, heavy thick foliage. Grows 3 to 4 feet.
- RED BARBERRY**—This Barberry is very attractive, when planted with other shrubs, on account of its bronze red foliage all summer. It dresses up your planting; can be used as hedges or single plants; it also can be trimmed into any shape. Grows 3 to 3½ feet. 2 to 3 ft. Plant, 3 yr., 75c each.
- ALMONDS PINK**—This is the shrub that blooms early in May with small pink rose-like flowers.



Flowering Almond



Deutzia



Red Barberry

## FRENCH LILAC

3-4 ft. Plants

75c each

3 for \$2.00

The following are some of the best varieties of the French Lilacs. They are more dwarf than the common varieties; the blooms are larger and of better color, they also bloom much younger. These Lilacs are grafted on Privet or Ash and do not sprout. They should be planted 3 or 4 inches deeper than they grew in the Nursery. Every home should have a few of these Lilacs.

**CHAS. JOLLEY**—Double purple, with large heads of flowers.

**BERTHA DANNERON**—Single white, with unusually large open clusters.

**LUDWIG SPAETH**—Single—Deep maroon red, large well filled clusters. A little more dwarf than others.

**BERREGER**—Single—Light purple, large well filled clusters.

## COMMON LILAC

**LILAC (Common Purple)**—Grows 6 to 8 feet. Lavender purple flowers. This is the old fashioned purple lilac with the sweet scented flowers in May. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 35c each.

We can furnish 7 to 8 ft. blooming size in Purple Lilac for \$1.00 each

**PERSIAN LILAC**—Upright vigorous grower, reddish purple flowers in April and May. This Lilac blooms very young, and is very hardy; stands dry weather; much used for hedges or tall screens. 3 to 4 ft. plants 75c each; 12-18 in. plants 30c each.

## BUTTERFLY BUSH

**BUTTERFLY BUSH (Common) Summer Lilac**—Makes a bush 3 to 4 feet tall, but freezes to the ground during winter. The bush is just covered with long racemes of Lilac-like flowers. Blooms in July and August. Very attractive. 2 yr. plants 30c each.

**NEW ILE DE FRANCE BUTTERFLY BUSH**—This is a new variety, flowers much darker in color—almost dark red. 2 year plants, 50c each.

## TWO COLORFUL AND UNUSUAL SHRUBS

2 to 3 foot plants, 3 year, 75c each; 2 for \$1.40

**WAHOO**—Native, very hardy, vigorous shrub, producing abundance of scarlet berries much like bittersweet and may be cut in fall. Foliage brilliant in autumn; grows 6 to 8 feet.

**ALATUS**—Yellow flowers in May-June. The limbs have square binged corky bark, leaves brilliant scarlet in fall. Very unusual plant, and very hardy. Grows 5 to 8 feet.

## PLANTING AND CARE OF SHRUBS

The planting of shrubs is quite simple. All that is necessary is to have the hole of sufficient size so the roots will not be crowded. Set the plant 2 to 3 inches deeper than it grew in the nursery, then fill the hole one-half full soil and put on one or two buckets water. When the water settles fill up the hole with soil.

Trimming shrubs, the following rule will apply. Shrubs that bloom before July 1st should be trimmed after they bloom. Shrubs blooming after July 1st should be trimmed early in the spring or late fall before frost.

The best Spray for shrubbery is **BLACK LEAF 40**. 1 oz. will make 6 gallons of spray. This is for bugs and aphids. Spray anytime when you see the bugs.

## Ten Hardy Medium-Growing SHRUBS

40c ea. 3 for \$1.00 5 for \$1.50

These shrubs are all of medium height. They grow from 4 to 6 feet and are suitable for foundation and shrubbery borders. The plants are all strong 2 year old.

**GOLDEN BELL (Forsythia)**—This shrub has yellow bell shaped flowers early in the spring before the leaves appear.

**CALYCANTHUS**—A fragrant shrub with chocolate colored flowers and heavy dark green leaves. A good upright grower.

**SPIREA VAN HOUTEI**—This is the much planted Bridal Wreath. White flowers in early June.

**SYRINGA LEMONINE**—This is a medium growing Syringa, white flowers in May. A good thick bushy shrub.

**WEIGELIA RED**—Deep green foliage. Crimson flowers in June.

**HYDRANGIA P. G.**—This shrub has large cone shape blooms which come out white and turn pink in the fall. We have 3 to 3½ ft. plants at 60c each.

**BEAUTY BUSH**—This is a new shrub, very hardy. The blooms are pinkish white and appear in June. This shrub attracted wide attention last summer. 50c each.

**ALTHEA (Rose of Sharon)**—This shrub is an upright grower; blooms in late summer, large single blue flowers.

**WINTERBERRY (Aronia)**—This is a very unusual and showy shrub, white flowers tinged with red in late May, followed by large black berries which hang on late into the fall and winter. Grows 3 to 3½ feet.

**FLOWERING CURRANT**—A compact, bushy shrub with yellow fragrant flowers in June, highly colored foliage in the fall after frost. Grows 3 to 4 feet.

## MAGNOLIA

**SOULANGEANA**—The most decorative of all the Magnolias. Produces a wealth of very large rose colored blooms just before the leaves in spring. The plants are on their own roots and are not to be compared with tender grafted kinds.

2 to 3 ft. B&B, \$5.00 each

4 to 5 ft. B&B full bloom buds, \$7.50

## Ten Hardy Tall-Growing SHRUBS

40c ea. 3 for \$1.00 5 for \$1.50

These shrubs are all tall or high growing. They grow from 6 to 8 feet tall and are used for tall screens or to enclose yards, and corner planting of foundation. They are all strong 2 year old plants.

**ARROWWOOD**—A white blooming shrub of upright growth. Attractive foliage which turns all the autumn colors in the fall.

**SYRINGA MOCK ORANGE**—This is the sweet scented Syringa which blooms white in May. A good screen shrub. We have a limited quantity.

**SYRINGA EVERBLOOMING**—This is one of the newer Syringas. Semi-double white flowers in May and also blooms throughout the summer.

**HONEYSUCKLE**—This is a screen shrub, as it makes a heavy thick growth. The blooms are a pinkish red followed by a heavy crop of bright red berries. We have a limited quantity.

**CRANBERRY Highbush**—This shrub has heavy large foliage; white flowers in large heads, followed by bright red berries in the fall.

**LANTANA**—Beautiful wrinkle Lantana like leaves, white flowers in May and June; the berries range in color from crimson to black. Good for shady places.

**TAMARIX**—This is the tall shrub with feathery foliage and long sprays of pink blooms.

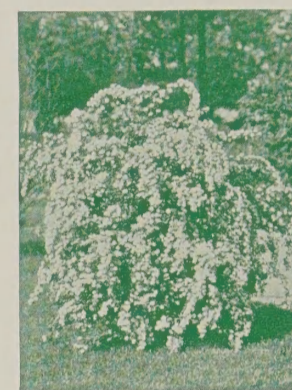
**GOLDEN ELDER**—Golden yellow foliage. White blooms followed by black berries. A big grower.

**SUMAC CUT LEAF**—This shrub has long fern-like foliage which turns bright red in the fall. A very attractive shrub.

**SNOWBALL**—This is an old favorite of the tall growing shrubs; large round white flowers in late May. Grows 6 to 8 feet tall.



Althea



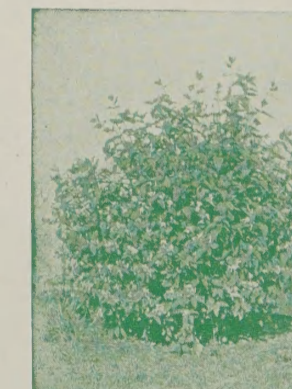
Spirea Van Houtei



Hydrangea—P. G.



Tamarix



Honeysuckle



Cranberry Highbush

## Large Size Shrubs for Immediate Effect

We have large size shrubs in the following kinds. These shrubs will give immediate effect. They are fine for tall screens or tall hedges.

4 year, 5 to 6 feet tall, 75c each

Bush Honeysuckle	Syringia Mock Orange
Golden Belle	Tamarix
Golden Elder	H. B. Cranberry

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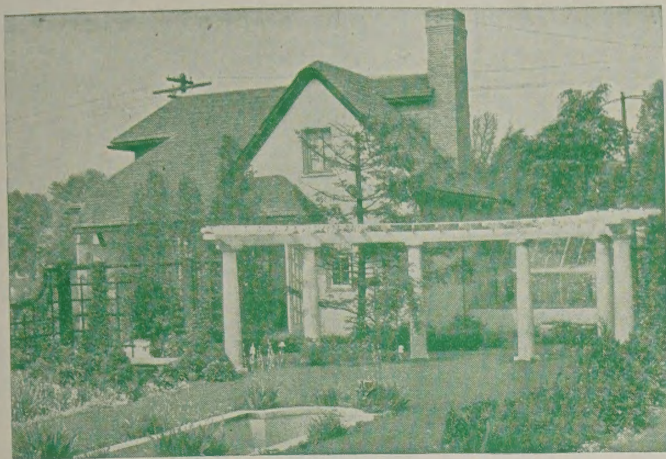
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# W I R T ' S      H A R D Y LAWN SEED      PERENNIALS



## Wirt's High Grade Lawn Grass Seed

**WIRT'S VELVET LAWN GRASS**—This is our own mixture and contains only the top grade seed—Kentucky Blue Grass, Redtop and White Dutch Clover. 50c per lb.; 5 lbs., \$2.25; 10 lbs. or more, 40c per lb.

**WIRT'S SHADY LAWN GRASS**—This seed is blended especially to build up a lawn where shade is to be considered. This seed is for sowing under trees and shady places where the ordinary seed does not succeed well.

1 lb. pkg., 45c      5 lb. pkg., \$2.00

**KENTUCKY BLUE GRASS**—Valuable for pepping up old lawns. Choice heavy seed. 1 lb. pkg. 45c      5 lb. pkg. \$2.00

**WINNER BRAND LAWN GRASS SEED**—This is a good grade of lawn seed, carries a good per cent of blue grass, with red top clover as a nurse crop. 1 lb. pkg., 30c      5 lb. pkg., \$1.40

**WIRT'S EXTRA CHOICE LAWN SEED**—This is our mixture of Lawn Seed—Kentucky Blue Grass, Redtop, White Dutch Clover, Chewing Fescue and Astoria Bent. 60c per lb.; 5 lbs., \$2.50

**ABOUT LAWN GRASS**—No one kind of grass will make a lawn that will keep beautifully green throughout the season, but a mixture of several is essential. Our Velvet Lawn mixture is a splendid grass, giving quick and satisfying results. The shady lawn for under trees and shady spots. Our Grass Seed does not contain Timothy, but Fescue, Red Top and Bent. Our seed is fresh 1940 crop. **QUANTITY OF SEED TO USE**—1 lb. to 300 square feet of lawn or double this amount if a quick lawn is wanted.

## Fertilizers Wirt's High Grade Fertilizers



Beautify your home with shrubs, trees, lawns, and flowers. Make sure they receive the food elements needed for fine, sturdy growth. Feed them Vigoro, the Complete Plant Food that contains all 11 of the plant food elements scientists have proved plants require from the soil.

Vigoro is economical . . . you need so little. Then, too, it's clean, odorless, and sanitary . . . especially prepared for home use. Use 4 lbs. to 100 square feet for lawns.

5 lbs. 45c      10 lbs. 85c      25 lbs. \$1.50      100 lbs. \$4.00

**CATTLE MANURE (Shredded)**—A very efficient high grade natural fertilizer for all general purposes. There is no danger of burning with this fertilizer; easy to handle as grain. 25 lbs. to 10 feet square. 10 lbs., 65c—Postage 18c      25 lbs., \$1.25—Postage 35c  
50 lbs., \$2.45—By Express      100 lbs., \$3.50—By Express

**SHEEP MANURE**—Sheep manure is fine for grass, shrubs, trees, vines, vegetables, melons and small fruits. It can be used without fear of weed seed. A top dressing any time in the summer will start new growth in your lawn or plants. Bone Meal mixed with sheep manure is the best combination of fertilizer one can use. Use 60 to 100 pounds sheep manure to 1,000 square feet of surface. 5 lb. bags, 25c—Postage 10c      10 lb. bags, 45c—Postage 18c  
25 lb. bags, \$1.00—F.O.B. Alpha      50 lb. bags, \$1.50—F.O.B. Alpha

**BONE MEAL FERTILIZER**—Just the thing for roses, shrubs, etc. No danger of burning the plants. Use 3 to 5 pounds around each shrub or plant when setting it out. For lawns use 50 pounds per 100 square feet. 5 lb. bags, 35c—Postage 10c      10 lb. bags, 60c—Postage 18c

**NITRATE OF SODA**—This fertilizer is high in nitrogen and is very beneficial for APPLE Trees. Apply after blooming period is over. Use ½ lb. to every year age of the tree. Just sprinkle on the ground, starting 6 inches from the trunk and going out 2 to 3 feet. 10 lbs. 60c      25 lbs., \$1.35      50 lbs., \$2.60      100 lbs., \$5.00

Send for our special pamphlets on fertilizers and how to use them. Also on lawn making, they are free for asking.

## SPRAY MATERIAL for Fruit Trees, Roses and Plants

Good Spray material is almost as important as the plants, as many plants will not survive the attacks of insects. Therefore, a good spray is necessary once in a while. The insecticides that I list here I think are the best as to quality and effectiveness.

### Kleenup Ready Mix (Oil Emulsion) Dormant Spray

One of the best dormant sprays for scale, Green Aphis and Peach Leaf Roller. Apply in spring just before buds burst. Use 3 to 4 gallons to 100 gallons water.

Price, \$1.00 per Gallon; 5 Gallon Can, \$3.50

10% discount if you bring your own container. Add 15c for postage on a gallon can. The 5 gallon can must go by Express.

**BLACK LEAF 40**—For control of Aphis and other eating insects on Roses and tender plants. 1 oz. bottle, 35c. Not mailable.

**ARSENATE OF LEAD**—For the control of codling moth on Apple and all other tree fruits. Spray when bloom starts to fall and every three weeks thereafter for at least three to four applications. Also for gooseberries, currants, potatoes. Kills all leaf eating insects. Use 4 lbs. to 50 gallons of water. 1 lb. pkg., 35c; 4 lb. pkg., \$1.00. Not mailable.

**FISH OIL SOAP**—Use for washing shade trees to protect them from bores, wash all round shade trees once every 30 days with a good suds of Fish Oil Soap starting in April. Just the trunk is all that is necessary. Fish oil soap is fine to mix with nicotine for aphid sprays. 1 lb. box, 35c. Mailable. Postage 5c.



**LIME SULPHUR**—Used for fruit tree scale as a dormant spray, but we prefer the Oil Emulsion. LIME SULPHUR is the best for control of the disease on Raspberries. Spray just when the leaves show in the spring. Use 5 lbs. to 50 gallons water. Also advisable to spray again in September using same amount. 1 lb. can, 35c; 5 lb. can, \$1.50. Not mailable

**BORDEAUX MIXTURE**—For the control of black spot and yellows on Roses and Cherry trees; also for dry rot on Plums. Use 1 lb. to 5 gal. water. 1 lb. can 30c. Not mailable.

### PEAT MOSS

This is the finely ground Peat Moss, for use on Lawns, Evergreens, Shrubs, Roses and Flowers. Keeps the soil loose and holds moisture. Peat Moss worked into the soil under shade trees will help make a nice green lawn, where grass has refused to grow. PEAT MOSS worked into the soil around EVERGREENS will keep them in a good healthy condition. ROSE BEDS need PEAT MOSS. 1 bushel paper bags, 75c; 100 lb. burlap bags, \$3.50

## PLANTING AND INSTRUCTION SHEETS FREE

Drop us a card or letter. We will send the sheets that interest you.

**STRAWBERRIES AND RASPBERRIES**—Planting and Spraying.  
**FRUIT TREES**—Spraying guide.  
**ROSES**—Planting, care and spraying.  
**SHADE TREES**—Planting and care.

**EVERGREENS**—Planting and care.  
**LANDSCAPING WITH EVERGREENS**—Plans.  
**HARDY PERENNIALS** and how to grow them.  
**LAWNS AND FERTILIZERS**.

## ALPHA GREENHOUSE

**\$1.00 Special — 12 Blooming Size Hardy Plants — \$1.00**

- 3 DREAMS OF BEAUTY, DELPHINIUM.
- 3 SHASTA DAISY, Large White Daisy.
- 3 LONG SPURRED COLUMBINE, Pastel Colors.
- 3 GALLARDIA, continuous blooming, red and gold daisies.

For a Complete List of Perennials Best Suited to This Part of the Country Send for Our Descriptive Price List

### DELPHINIUM

We specialize in DELPHINIUM and grow the finest and hardiest varieties. Light Blue and Dark Blue, 2 yr. field grown, 20c each; 3 for 50c. LAMARTINE—Finest dark blue, especially hardy and disease resistant, 30c each. DREAMS OF BEAUTY—A hearty hybrid in shades of blue with pink and orchid markings, 30c each. GIANT PACIFIC—Finest all double, in separate colors; deep velvety blue and pastel; potted plants, 35c each; 3 for \$1.00.

**PHLOX**—The most popular mid-summer flower. Our new varieties are very fine. Brilliant Red, Wine Red, Salmon Pink, Pink, White, 25c each; 5 for \$1.00.

**CHRYSANTHEMUMS**—We are growing many of the newer early blooming Mums. Pink, Yellow and Bronze Cushion or low growing Mums—Early Bronze and Early Yellow Button. Lavender Lady White, Yellow and Bronze, large flowering varieties, and Old Gold Deep Red and Pink Korean, 25c each; 5 for \$1.00.

**PANSIES**—If you want to win prizes buy our Giant DeLuxe Pansies, 35c per dozen.

### VEGETABLE PLANTS

Plant a Defense Garden—grow your own vegetables. They are better right from your own garden—fresh and crisp.

**TOMATOES**—For early tomatoes buy our extra large plants in individual boxes. No wilting or set-back in planting. We have the good early and late kinds.

**VENTURA**—A medium size, smooth, solid meat, fine flavor.

**EARLIANA**—The earliest of all good tomatoes.

**CHALK'S EARLY JEWELL**—Old favorite—large, smooth, all season.

**MARGLOBE**—Disease resistant, medium size, fine flavor.

**STONE**—Standard mid-season canning tomato.

**PONDEROSA**—Very large, reddish pink, mild flavor.

Prices in Boxes—Largest size, 50c per 12; Medium size, 30c per 12; Transplanted Plants, 10c per 12.

We have a large assortment of varieties in CABBAGE, PEPPERS, CELERY, SWEET POTATO PLANTS

ALPHA GREENHOUSE, ALPHA, ILLINOIS

Open Sundays

**This is a cordial invitation  
to visit our nursery . .**

Plan a trip to our nursery. You'll see much to interest you and perhaps you will find a suggestion as to just the very things you need to make your grounds more beautiful and fruitful.

**SELECT PERSONALLY SHRUBS, TREES  
AND PLANTS**

Hundreds of our customers come to the Nursery every year, select their SHRUBS and PLANTS, and take them home in their cars.

It will save you money to do this, also you see just what you are getting.

**We Can Ship Anywhere!**

### TRANSPORTATION

We can ship our Nursery Stock anywhere you wish, by Express, Freight or Parcel Post. Also by Truck lines. Our prices listed are for the stock boxed or wrapped. Large fruit trees, shade trees, evergreens and shrubs must go by express or freight. Berry plants, roses and small quantity of shrubs can go by parcel post.

### ALPHA NURSERY STOCK

Is grown on heavy, rich black loam, which insures good, strong, steady growth. Our aim is to grow the very best, most hardy and productive varieties adapted for the Northern central states.

We have been in the nursery business at Alpha, Illinois, for the past 50 years, and have a host of satisfied customers, as we try our best to treat every one fairly and squarely.

We try to serve every customer and planter of our goods so promptly, courteously, and thoroughly as to assure each the profit, pleasure and satisfaction he expects.

### We Guarantee

our stock to be true to name. Should any items prove untrue, we will replace them.

But shall not at any time be held responsible for any amount greater than the original price.

### We Replace

stock that dies at one-half price, if a list is sent us within four months after the shipment is made.

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THIS IS THE 51st YEAR OF THE ALPHA NURSERY. We have grown millions of trees and plants during this time and have gained much actual experience as to the GROWING, CARE AND HABITS OF EVERGREENS, TREES, ROSES and PLANTS suitable to our climate.

This long experience gives assurance of better trees and plants, as most all our stock is grown in our fields here at ALPHA, Illinois.

This nursery is now in the hands of the second and third generations of WIRTS growing quality nursery stock.

Fair dealings, and honest values have built a reputation for this firm which stands the acid test of time.

Defense Gardens will be called for this spring. There will be an urge to grow your own fruit and vegetables; everyone with a small plot of ground can raise part of the things they eat. Fruit is essential to the diet, so add a few fruit trees and some small fruits to your garden.

Buy Your Nursery Stock From An Old Established Grower

ALPHA NURSERY

Alpha, Illinois



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